CPT Alvin Cavalier was born in New Orleans, Louisiana and entered active service in August 2001. He is currently the Assistant Battalion Operations Officer (AS3) and Training Officer for the 11th Engineer Battalion, Fort Benning, GA. He has served in several leadership positions throughout his military career. His first five years of military service were enlisted achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant. In 2007 CPT Cavalier was selected to attend Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning Ga., where he was commissioned as an Engineer officer. After attending the engineer officer basic course at Fort Leonard Wood Mo., he was assigned to 3BD, 3 BSTB, 10th MTN DIV. During this assignment he served as a Light combat engineer platoon leader and executive officer of A/3BSTB. Following this assignment in Jan 2010 he attended the Maneuver Captains Career Course here at FT Benning, Ga. and was assigned to the 11th Engineer Battalion here where he serves as the Assistant Battalion Operations Officer (AS3).

CPT Cavalier's military education includes Airborne School, Air Assault School, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), the Primary Leadership Development Course, the Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Officer Candidate School, Basic Officer Leadership Course (BOLC II), Engineer Officer Basic Course, Ranger school, Sapper Leaders Course, Combatives Level I Course and the Maneuver Captain's Career Course (MCCC).

CPT Cavalier's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Army Commendation Medal (third award), the Army Achievement Medal (Fifth award), the Valorous Unit Award, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Army Good conduct medal (with two knots), the National Defense Service Medal (with bronze star), the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Iraqi Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the NCO Professional Development Ribbon (with numeral 2), the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon (with numeral 2), NATO Medal, the Combat Action Badge, Ranger Tab and the Sapper Tab.